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DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

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Re: Debby L. Otte v. Baxter Healthcare Corporation, et al.  
Civil No. CCB-00-910

Dear Counsel:

Thank you for your status report of June 26, 2003. I would like to establish a schedule for the completion of discovery, filing of any dispositive motions, and trial in this case. Please file your joint or, if agreement cannot be reached, separate proposals no later than **July 18, 2003**. Also, please let me know if a settlement conference before a U.S. Magistrate Judge would be helpful.

Despite the informal nature of this letter, it is an Order of the Court and shall be docketed as such.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Catherine C. Blake  
United States District Judge